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Dear Resident,

The Tour of Britain cyclists arrived on Cotgrave Road on the morning of Saturday 8th September. It was an exciting occasion attended by many residents. The area around the millennium stone on Clipston Lane was decorated with bunting and flags in Tour colours and a yellow bike took pride of place. The tension mounted around 11am as police outriders zoomed along Cotgrave Road followed in a flash by the cyclists amid much cheering and waving by the crowd.

We felt honoured that the route had included at least a small part of Normanton as part of this national event.

Our thoughts now turn to the commemoration of the centenary of the armistice marking the end of The Great War on Sunday 11th November.

I trust many of you will join parish councillors during this historic day and I look forward to seeing you there.

Fiona Mason, Chairman

Normanton's Conservation Area



The Normanton on the Wolds Conservation Area was originally designated by Rushcliffe Borough Council in 1990 and subsequently reviewed and extended in September 2009. All properties on Old Melton Road and Back Lane are included within the conservation area together with several areas of land described as positive open spaces, significant groups of trees, woodlands and hedges.

The key characteristics of the conservation area are the enclosed feel in the village centre provided by



high brick walls, hedges and overhanging tree branches. Paddocks and small fields provide a contrast to the heavily wooded village centre which includes four listed buildings and various large properties, incorporating a wide variety of architectural styles, in extensive private gardens. Trees and hedges are a dominant feature throughout the Conservation Area.

Properties within the conservation area are covered by additional rules with regard to demolition and part demolition, extensions, cladding or render, outbuildings, satellite dishes, chimneys and pipes. In particular, with regard to trees you must give Rushcliffe Borough Council six weeks' notice of any proposed felling or works to trees with a diameter of over 75mm at 1500mm height, or with a diameter of over 100mm if within a group of trees that needs thinning. This gives the Council six weeks to consider whether or not to serve a Tree Preservation Order (TPO). Please contact Rushcliffe Borough Council for more information.

Crime Alert Two incidents have been reported recently of mail being stolen from mailboxes outside houses along Old Melton Road. The owners of these boxes have had their personal details accessed. The Police want to know if there are any other incidents of this crime within the village.

Ring neighbourhood policing sergeant Steven Robinson on 101 extn 8006570.



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IN MAY NEXT YEAR YOUR PARISH COUNCIL WILL ALL COME UP FOR RE-ELECTION.
THIS GIVES THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYONE IN THE VILLAGE AGED 18 AND OVER WHO IS ON THE ELECTORAL LIST TO PUT THEIR NAME FORWARD FOR ELECTION TO YOUR LOCAL NORMANTON ON THE WOLDS PARISH COUNCIL.



WHAT ARE LOCAL COUNCILS?

A local council is a universal term for community, neighbourhood, parish and town councils. They are the first tier of local government and are statutory bodies. They serve electorates and are independently elected and raise their own precept (a form of council tax).

WHAT DO LOCAL COUNCILS DO?

Local councils represent their communities giving them a voice and democratic structure to take action and improve their local area.

Some typical issues local councils get involved with are; planning, crime, road and highways, playgrounds, allotments, burial grounds, transport, housing, saving public assets, open spaces and general civic duties.

GETTING ELECTED

To stand for election to a local council you must:

- Be a UK or Commonwealth citizen; or be a citizen of the Republic of Ireland; or be a citizen of another Member State of the European Union
- Be at least 18 years old
- Be an elector of the local council; or in the past 12 months occupied land or other premises in the area the local council serves (as owner or tenant); or work in the area local council serves (as your principal or only place of work); or live within three miles of the local council boundary.

HOW MUCH TIME DOES IT TAKE?

NALC's **Councillor Census Survey** found on

average that 70% of councillors spend 1 – 15 hours per month on council duties.

Local councils usually meet once a month for a meeting. Meetings typically run about two hours, depending on what is on the agenda.

Some local councils may also have committees to deal with specific subjects, such as finance and/or planning.

HOW LONG CAN YOU SERVE AS A COUNCILLOR?

Once elected, councillors can sit on the local council for four years. If they want to continue in the post they can stand for re-election.

This does not mean that you have to stay for four years. If you find it's not for you, or you can no longer meet the commitment, you can stand down at any time.

HOW DO I APPLY?

The next set of elections to the parish council are on 2nd May 2019. There are two forms that anyone wanting to be a councilor needs to complete and these forms must be completed and returned by hand to Rushcliffe Borough Council during the period of Monday 18th March to Wednesday 3 April. The deadline to submit on the 3 April is 4pm.

The forms that need completing will be available from February 2019 and can be obtained either from the Parish Clerk or from the Elections team at Rushcliffe Borough Council by either emailing elections@rushcliffe.gov.uk or telephoning 0115 981 9911.

Membership of the Normanton on the Wolds parish council is seven

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Commemorating the Centenary of the ending of WW1

In the morning of Sunday 11th wreaths will be laid at both the memorial by The Plough honouring the six brave Normanton residents who lost their lives in WW1, Frank Costall, Bryant Alfred Cutler, Robert Davis, Thomas Mitchell, Herbert Pendleton and Samuel Benjamen Smith and at the official stone memorial cross in Plumtree churchyard (upon which the names of the Normanton men are listed).

On the evening of Sunday 11th November 2018 Normanton residents along with millions of people throughout the country will have the opportunity of commemorating the end of the First World War with the lighting of a beacon at 7 pm.

As St. Mary the Virgin in Plumtree is the parish church for the villages of Normanton on the Wolds, Plumtree, Clipston on the



Wolds and north Keyworth it has been decided to hold a joint event of commemoration commencing with a short service at around 6.45pm followed by the lighting of a beacon at 7 pm and the ringing of the church bells. There will then be the opportunity to enjoy a get-together in The Burnside Memorial Hall at which refreshments will be available. Please see village notice boards nearer the time for further details.

Rushcliffe South Policing (Wolds Area)

Normanton is now part of the Leake and Keyworth Neighbourhood Policing Area. The main contacts are Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs). However, where a burglary or other crime is being committed always dial 999 or for a non-emergency the number is 101.

Our neighbourhood policing sergeant is Steven Robinson, team telephone number: 101 extn 8006570.

The team of PCSOs are as follows:

Tony Davies Tel: 07702 141572 Kathy Lucock Tel: 07595 074225 Adam

Loydall Tel: 07977 200626

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Notice is given there are two <u>CASUAL</u> <u>VACANCIES</u> existing on Normanton on the Wolds parish council and applications asking to be considered for co-option as a member are invited.

Any such applications to be forwarded in writing to the clerk Mike Elliott, 19/21 Main Street, Keyworth, NG12 5AA, email elliottnews@btconnect.com or any member, with brief personal details in a note of up to 200 words.

Direct contact can be made with any member of the council but written confirmation and notes are still required.

Grit Bins

There are two grit bins in the village positioned at known areas of potential danger in icy conditions, one near the old telephone box on the bend in Old Melton Road and the other on Clipston Lane at its junction with The Leys. If the roads are icy please make use of the contents of the bins on these icy "hot spots" (if that is not a contradiction in terms!)